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WEATHER REPORT.
Probably air tonight and Friday, not much change in temperature about 28 degrees. High tide 7:22 a. m. and 7:23 p. m.
Sun rises 7:15 Sun sets 4:50.

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WILSON'S NOTE TO GREAT BRITAIN

British Foreign Office Prepares Report of Operations

IMPORTANT MATTER

American and British Officials, However, Apprehend no Grave Issue in The Negotiations.

London, Dec., 31—The admiralty has prepared for the foreign office a complete report of the operations of all ships which have held up or deverted into port vessels carrying goods from the United States. In every instance the reason assigned for the action is given. Specific allegations of irregular manifests and of contraband are cited, and it is expected this document will prove a very essential factor in completing the answer of Britain to President Wilson's demands.

The situation is still considered the most serious development of the war to date outside of the actual fighting. There is a strong minority in England that seems anxious to seize upon the action of the United States Some of the newspapers, especially those outside of London are urging as evidence that it is pro-German. the government to stand firmly by its past actions and to tell the United States that it will "not be permitted to coin money out of England's necessities."

Officialdom generally however, believes that a way satisfactory to both sides, will be found. The best experts on international law have been called into consultation with the foreign office, and the high law officers of the crown, including the attorney general and the solicitor general. They will pass upon each individual contention raised by the United States. It is also the intention of the foreign office to discuss the matter with Ambassador Page as President Wilson's direct representative.

Washington, Dec., 31—While the American note to Great Britain concerning interruptions of the commerce of this country continues to absorb official Washington, there is manifest a tone of confidence that the numerous difficulties which had arisen in the last five months would eventually be amicably adjusted.

YOUNG MAN KILLED.

John Underwood Victim of Distressing Accident at Southern Railway Yards.

A distressing accident took place last night at 11:15 o'clock at the coal chute of the Southern Railway Company, 50 yards north of the round house, when John Underwood, a well known young man employed as a helper by the railway company, was run down by a switch engine and had both of his legs so badly crushed that an amputation of both limbs was necessary.

He died at the Alexandria Hospital at noon today.

Underwood was a son of Andrew Underwood, and resided at 123 south Pitt street. He was 20 years old. After the accident he was taken to the Alexandria Hospital where an operation was performed by Drs. W. M. Smith and M. D. Delaney, both legs being taken off above the knee.

MASONIC NOTICE.

A stated convocation of Mt. Vernon Chapter, No. 14, Royal Arch Masons, will be held tomorrow night, January 1st, at 7:30 o'clock.

By Order of the High Priest.
1-2t. A. G. UHLER, Secretary.

DEATH NOTICE.

JOHN, the only and beloved son of Mrs. Elizabeth Underwood, died at the Alexandria Hospital today at twelve o'clock. Funeral notice later.

Norfolk Oysters in All Styles at the Rammel Hotel.

BLACK HAND LEADER DEAD

By-Laws Found, Showing Organization's Oath Secrets and Many of Its Inner Workings

Fairmont, W. Va., Dec., 31—Mysterious murders, Black Hand plots, jail deliveries and love romances, which have been shrouded in mystery, are being unveiled as a result of the death of James Rachelle a leader of the Killarm Black Hand society who was accidentlly killed by his own men at Killarm while he was leading them to a boarding house to slay Leonardo Freschino, who was killed, and Charles Rando, who was seriously injured.

For the first time in the history of the Black Hand society, so far as known here a copy of the by-laws of the organization has been uncovered. Italian interpreters are working to solve the code in which it is written. They have discovered that the vowels are represented by numbers sometimes by the Arabic figures and sometimes spelled out.

The book begins by starting the purpose of the organization, the mutual profit and benefit to the members. The oath is a terrible thing in which the members swear their allegiance to the last drop of their blood. The book continues with secret passwords, signals and signs, handkerchiefs of red, blue, green and white figure in the signaling of the members. The official weapons are two revolvers, a stilleto a razor and a spring-button knife to each man.

The police have 3 men in jail and are making more arrests in the efforts to round up the murderous gang. A large quantity of revelvers stilletos and knives have been found showing the society's operations under Rachelle, who had many aliases, were widespread.

WEEK OF PRAYER.

Churches Will Hold Special Union Services Commencing Monday

"Week of Prayer" services will be held at 8 o'clock each night, beginning Monday and ending Friday, in the different churches of the city. The meetings will be union prayer services, and will be under the auspices of the Pastor's Association of the city.

The program will be as follows:

Monday—Trinity M. E. Church, address, "Prayer for Nations and Rulers." Rev. W. F. Watson, D. D. pastor of First Baptist Church.

Tuesday—Methodist Episcopal Church South, address, "Family Religion," Rev. Dr. John Lee Allison pastor of Second Presbyterian Church.

Wednesday—Christ P. E. Church, address "Schools and Colleges," Rev. Dr. J. W. Duffey, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church South.

Thursday—Second Presbyterian Church, address, "World-wide Missions," Rev. G. A. Luttrell, pastor of Trinity M. E. Church.

Friday—First Baptist Church, address, "World Peace," Rev. W. J. Morton, rector of Christ P. E. Church.

Denial From Tokio

Tokio, Dec, 31 (4:30 p. m.)—In a denial of reports that Japanese troops had been landed at Vladivostok or any other place en route to Europe, the foreign office included this statement:

"Japan has not been approached by Great Britain or any other country to send an army to Europe."

NOTICE TO GAS CONSUMERS

Gas bills for quarter ending December 1, 1914, having been delivered, this is to notify all gas consumers that all bills paid on or before January 1, 1915, will be entitled to a discount of 30 cents per 1000 cubic feet. After that date no discount will be allowed and all delinquents will be required to make an early settlement.

By order of Committee on Light.

J. B. WALLER
Clerk of Gas

CHARGES AGAINST THE JAPANESE

Alleged American Commerce on Pacific is Being Hampered.

HOLDING UP VESSELS.

Proceedings Similar to Those Which Brought About Friction Between U. S. and Great Britain.

Washington, Dec. 31.—Constant and serious interference with American commerce on the Pacific was charged today against Japan, Great Britain's ally.

A prominent member of the Pacific delegation of the House was authority for the statement that Japan has been holding up American vessels on the high seas in a manner similar to that which brought sharp protest against Great Britain.

R. P. Schwerin, of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, operating a fleet of merchant and passenger vessels from San Francisco to Oriental waters has filed with Congress a preliminary statesment of the case.

The claim is made that not only was the mail steamship Manchuria held up and detained for 48 hours, but that also practically every other vessel of the line has been subjected to interference from the naval forces of Japan.

The Congressman in question has asked for more detailed information from Schwerin, and if it is furnished the subject will be called publicly to the attention of the House.

NEWS OF THE DAY

That Emperor William had a narrow escape from death at the hands of a French aviator while he was at German field headquarters in West Flanders on Christmas Day was the information contained in a dispatch received in Amsterdam. While the Kaiser was dining wtih his officers a French airman flew over the German camp and dropped bombs, one of which landed less than 200 yards from the Emperor. The dinner party hastily broke up.

James Taylor of Takoma Park, D. C., is to be paid $1,838.30 back pay due the late Major General Henry M. Sibley, C. S. A., for whose estate Mr. Taylor is executor. The payment will result from the decision yesterday of Comptroller of the Treasury Downey that General Taylor, who resigned from the United States army to serve the Confederacy, cannot be classed as a deserter.

The British Ambassador at Washington has informed the British foreign office that the United States has definitely declined to join the Latin-American republics in their proposed joint request that European belligerents shall withdraw their warships from the coasts of the America.

News of another seizure by a British war vessel of an American merchant liner reached New York yesterday. The Ganz Line got a cable from Captain Mitchell of the steamship Carolyn which sailed from Boston for Bremen on December 14 with a cargo of cotton and wool valued at $1,000,000, to the effect that the vessel had been taken by an English gunboat and was being convoyed to Falmouth, England.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Odd Fellows' Joint Stock Company, will be held Monday evening, January 4th, 1915, at 8 P. M., at Odd Fellows' Hall on south Columbus street, Alexandria, Va.

C. C. BROOKS, President
W. H. SKINNER, Sec.
26-3t.

STOCHOLDERS' MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the W. T. Walker Brick Company, will be held Wednesday, January 20, 1915, at 11 o'clock A. M. at the office of the company, Arlington, Va. for the purpose of electing a president, directors, and the transaction of other business.

By Order of Wm. H. Walker, Prest.
3t- 6, 13, 19.

Mortuary List of 1914

Names of Alexandrians Who Have Passed Into the Other World During Closing Year

About the average number of white adults have paid the debt of nature, in Alexandria during the year which closes tonight. The names of some of our oldest and most prominent citizens appear whose removal has left gaps in our social and commercial life. In the beginning of last March four octogenarians of Alexandrians were lying dead on the same day. The old saying—"the old must, the young may"—has been in evidence. In the list appear the names of many who at the beginning of the year were not aware of the fact that they would be called upon to lay aside the pilgrim staff and pay the debt of nature.

The Gazette has been publishing mortuary lists on the last day of each year during the past third of a century. The harvest of the grim reaper seldom exceeds his yearly annual average. The following tells the story of his owrk among us during the year 1914:

Allen, Mary D. March 8.
Allen, Laura May 21.
Aitcheson, Andrew December 30.
Bateman, Emliy S. March 9.
Buxton, Gilbert March 18.
Boothe, Mary G. March 20.
Bruffey, Martha April 2.
Bryant, Herbert April 11.
Bland, James April 22.
Butler, Sallie April 29.
Bell, Mary E. May 5.
Bright, William May 13.
Blackford, L. M. May 23.
Brawner, Maria D. June 11.
Bartlett, Wm. H. July 30.
Black, Elizabeth H. August 6.
Bradley, Andrew J. September 17.
Cornell, Mary V. January 10.
Carey, Sarah January 19.
Crook, Robert M. February 19.
Chesser, L. E. March 2.
Creele, W. Lewis March 7.
Clark, Lawrence F. March 7.
Crook, Charles B. March 20.
Creighton, J. C. March 27.
Carey, Cornelius April 20.
Crupper, William A. July 10.
Clift, William August 16.
Carter, Sybil August 22.
Cheshire, Andrew J. September 27.
Clarkson, Elizabeth October 17.
Clark, William L. December 15.
Crump, Mrs. F. A. December 20.
Darst, Florence W. January 12.
Dix, John January 29.
Davis, Virginia February 26.
Dean, Lucinda A. March 2.
Downey, Thomas H. March 23.
Davis, Edward S. April 1.
Dillon, John April 3.
Dawson, Asa April 30.
Dixon, George W. June 1.
Doherty, Catherine July 19.
Dudley, Ella July 19.
Davidson, W. K. August 17.
Dodson, Mary E. August 24.
Davis, S. B. September 24.
Dillet, Tobias D. September 26.
Deahl, Mary Frances October 13.
Darley, Charles H. November 11.
Davis, Upton D. November 11.
English, Samuel M. February 23.
Evans, Thomas March 25.
Edmunds, Ruth K. April 21.
Elliott, Frank C. August 19.
Edwards, John T. September 20.
Eichberg, Isaac November 6.
Elliott, Alice November 29.
Fegan, Thomas H. March 20.
Fleischman, Carl March 27.
Foresuch, Entichy July 29.
Finnell, Kate September 27.
Geisendaffer, Frederick J. March 2.
Grillbortzer, John G. March 3.
Green, Fannie McA. April 3.
Gould, Mary May 25.
Green, John W. June 25.
Gorman, Mildred July 2.
Gainey, Frank August 24.
Germann, George September 13.
Germond, Effie M. September 25.
Griffin, Cornelius October 26.
Gluck, Louisa F. November 5.
Houck, Montrose W. February 20.
Harvey, Annie February 28.
Hawkins, Mary April 17.
Heishley, Jacob M. May 26.
Hunter, Nannie June 4.
Hunter, Alexander July 1.
Haynes, Lucy July 11.
Harrison, George W. July 18.
Hart, Frances M. August 10.
Hufty, Cecelia September 9.
Hall, James October 20.
Hanratty, Margaret October 26.
Hayes, Patrick H. December 28.
Iden, Margaret A. August 9.
Javins, James A. March 25.
Johnson, Harriett, May 25.
Jones, Joseph T. August 7.
Javins, Sarah E. December 5.
Kicherer, George June 3.
King, James E. June 16.
Kiger, Mrs. J. D. August 21.
Lukens, Mary T. March 8.
Lovejoy, William E. March 20.
Lapben, John P. April 3.
Lowe, Fannie A. April 13.
LeHew, William G. July 11.
Leadbeater, T. Boyd September 14.
Lynn, James B. September 19.
Lucas, Melvina October 6.
Lynch, John November 3.
Lyles, Eleanor F. November 7.
Mortaugh, Anne January 15.
McArtor, Joseph W. January 18.
Milstead, William March 14.
Metzger, Albert R. March 17.
Mingin, Joseph March 18.
Martin, Adam March 30.
Mankin, George W. June 10.
Martin, Madeline September 3.
Mumford, Raymond, September 20.
Monroe, Harry T. October 15.
Mills, Mary F. November 28.
Moore, Mary A. December 21.
Nalls, Robert February 16.
Nourse, Mrs. James M. June 19.
Newman, Annie December 12.
Oehlert, August H. March 30.
Owens, Mrs. A. V. May 3.
Phillips, Mary E. January 6.
Pierpoint, Catharine R. January 7.
Peyton, Dallas January 26.
Pettey, Edna V. February 28.
Penn, Harriett April 1.
Posey, James H. April 24.
Peterson, James E. May 1.
Patterson, James May 19.
Parrish, Annie September 24.
Patterson, James October 1.
Parrott, Augusta F. October 7.
Pullman, Peter J. October 24.
Posey, Samuel November 10.
Roberts, Frank June 13.
Roberts, James W. July 10.
Runalde, James E. November 24.
Reed, Bessie December 16.
Smith, George January 3.
Scanlon, John March 21.
Sorrell, Robert March 25.
Schuler, Magnus May 16.
Spittle, Randolph May 28.
Swaine, F. G. June 13.
Schweickert, F. J. June 19.
Stubbs, Arthur W. July 1.
Sunderlin, Otis July 13.
Spinks, Frank C. August 1.
Smith, Eliza L. August 7.
Stephenson, Huldah F. August 27.
Smythe, Florence R. October 7.
Snouffer, Mary M. October 27.
Snowden, Clarence November 10.
Simpson, John W. November 16.
Simpson, Melville S. November 23.
Sullivan, Susan December 12.
Topping, William R. January 1.
Torbert, Mrs. R. Parke January 15.
Treakle, Jr., William H. March 25.
Turner, John W. June 15.
Thomas, Gordon D. December 17.
Underwood, W. H. September 11.
Underwood, John December 31.
Vickers, William J. December 19.
Wells, Frank E. January 11.
Ward, John H. January 25.
Wilburn, Charles M. January 30.
Warfield, Catharine V. March 7.
Wattles, Nannie G. April 5.
Willet, Sarah April 4.
Wigfield, James A. July 25.
Weadon, Martha C. Septemebr 7.
Watkins, Sarah C. October 22.
Yateman, J. C. W. L. December ?.

RIOTS MARK DUAL KINGDOM.

Many Cities see Open Revolt Against the War Continuing.

Basle, Dec 31—"The beginning of the end" is how a Geneva newspaper sums up a series of special reports sent it Christmas from all parts of Austro-Hungary. Riots and disturbances are occurring constantly in 6 provinces. Peace manifestations took place in Vienna on Christmas day and a crowd of several hundred, on leaving church in Leopoldstrasse, began shouting against war. The women cried, "Give us back our husbands; give us back our children."

The mob grew ever larger and in Praterstrasse threatened the official buildings. The mounted police then charged with drawn swords, wounding 30 persons.

MERCHANT A SUICIDE.

Petersburg, Va. Dec. 31.—Information has been received here of the suicide o Seldon Mitchell, a merchant and for many yars agent of the Southern Railroad Company at Charley Hope, Virginia.

Mr Mitchell ended his life by shooting himself. His act is supposed to have been caused by ill health. He was about 42 years old and i s survived by his widow and our daughters.

We extend to all a Happy New Year. Rammel's Cafe.

ALLIES' ARMY STILL PRESSES ON

Fighting Increases in Intensity Along Line in Western Zone.

DRIVE GERMANS BACK

Russians Receiving Reinforcements With Which They Will Force Passage of Carpathians.

Paris, Dec 31—Fighting which is reported increasing in intensity, is in progress along the entire French center and right. Following the exchange of almost continuous artillery fire by the heavy guns of both sides, the infantry is again pressing forward slowly but surely. The chief operations today are reported to be up upper Alsac and in the Champagne district.

Three distinct advances of the allied lines are detailed in an official statement given out by the war office.

Petrograd, Dec. 31— Today's reports from the front declare the Germans are being driven back at several points on the Vistula and Rawka rivers, following a series of attacks and counter attacks in which both sides lost heavily.

The advantage, it is stated, is with the Russians, although along most of the battle front the fighting has taken on the nature of an artillery duel.

The Galician operations are progressing, the Austrians being compelled to retire still farther into the Carpathian passes. Re-enforcements are being sent to the southern front and preparations made for forcing the passage of the passes and opening the way for the invasion of Hungary.

LOCAL BREVITIES

Miss Rose Maier, of New York, is visiting Miss Minnie Jaffa, at 707 Prince street.

Miss Wallace, of West Virginia, and Miss Julia Davis, of Washington, are the house guests of Miss Rose MacDonald, at her home in Cameron street.

Mrs. Percy Evans, of Warrenton, is visiting her mother, Mrs. James Sidney Douglas, in Cameron street.

Funeral services for Andrew Aitcheson who died yesterday morning will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Funeral services for Thomas Morris were held this morning from St. Mary's Catholic Church, and were conducted by the Rev. L. F. Kelly. Interment was in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

An important meeting of the Virginia Athletic Club will be held in their rooms on Tuesday, January 5th.

In Police Court this morning Abraham Roy, who shot at Ed Harris a few days ago but who missed the man, was sentenced to jail for six months.

POPPY-COCK SAYS CLARK

Denounces Story That Wilson Has Promised Support In 1916

Washington, Dec 31—Poppy-cock' was the expression used yesterday afternoon by Speaker Champ Clark in connection with the report that President Wilson had agreed to support him for the Democratic Presidental nomination for 1916. Friends of the President described the report as "pure buncombe."

Associates of both the President and the Speaker professed to recognize in the report prominently played up in certain publications, the earmarks of an attempt to create discord among the Democrats and embarrass the President in the fulfillment of his party's legislative program.

STUART PREPARES HIS MESSAGE

May Extend His Vacation to Complete Paper to Legislature.

GIVES IT MUCH STUDY

Governor's Former Experience on State Corporation Commission Aids Him Considerably.

Richmond, Dec 31—Governor Stuart, who has been spending the Christmas holidays with his wife and daughter in Brookline, Mass, where Miss Stuart is attending school, may not return to Richmond until Monday or Tuesday. The Governor has been devoting much time and study to the report of the Tax Commission and the preparation of his message to the Legislature, which is to convene in special session January 13. There are no matters of State or like importance demanding his attention here, and it is presumed he will prefer to give consideration to the tax problem away from the executive office. He will not have to suffer interruptions and distractions entailed by the daily routine of his office in the Capitol if he defers his journey home until he shall have completed his message to the General Assembly. While the Governor has not expressed any opinion whatever on the merits of either of the plans of taxation suggested in the Tax Commission's report, the impression prevails among the officers most intimate with him that Governor Stuart is favorably disposed toward the partial segregation plan, which was prepared by a minority of the members of the commission.

As one of the original members of the State Corporation Commission, at a time when that body was organizing the state's method of assessing and taxing steam railroads and other public service corporations, the Governor is regarded as peculiarly well qualified to speak with authority on the subject of taxation. In addition he is one of the largest land owners in the State, and has a variety of business interests and a wide range of actual business experience to bring to bear on the proposition.

It is expected that the Governor will give his consideration soon after his return home to the appointment of a State Commissioner of Hospitals. The term of Commissioner J. N. Bauserman expires in February.

SWALLOWS KNIFE IN OYSTER.

Mayor of Anderson, S. C., Reported to be in no Danger

Anderson, S. C. Dec. 31.—Waking on Tuesday night with sharp pains in his stomach after eating heartily of oysters from the shell, Mayor J. H. Godfrey consulted a physician, with the result that an X ray photograph showed a broken knife blade, two and one half inches long and one half inch wide in the Mayor's intestines. The blade was broken off in the opening of the oysters, and unconsciously swallowed by the Mayor while imbedded in an oyster. He is reported to be in no danger.

SON KILLS FATHER

Shooting Follows Attempt to Intervene in Family Quarrel

Macon Ga., Dec 31—T. J. Carr, a merchant of Carr's Station, a small town near here was shot and killed there yesterday. George Carr, a son of the dead man, is sought by the authorities in connection with the killing.

Reports of the affair say the killing followed an attempt of the youngster Carr to intervene in a quarrel between his father and his mother and sister.

R. T. Burton of Reedsville, N. C. is the guest of his uncle and aunt, Mrs. J. T. Wells at their home on Cameron street.

We extend to all a Happy New Year. Rammel's Cafe.

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Our Annual January Clearance Sales

Are now in progress

We beg to announce to our many Patrons and Friends in this vicinity that our January Clearance Sale is now at its height. Merchandise of all kinds both by the yard and ready to wear garments also rugs bed wear and draperies in fact everything has been materially reduced for a quick clearance. You will be ably repaid if you anticipate your needs for months to come and supply them from the extraordinary values that are obtainable during this January Clearance sale.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

Interesting News Notes About People of Alexandria—Happenings in Society.

The Junior German Club held its Christmas German yesterday afternoon in the Elks' Hall. A very enjoyable occasion it was with the Christmas favors of tinkling bells, horns, and roll whistles. During the afternoon Santa dropped in with a miniature Christmas tree laden with candy favors for the dancers, who all greeted him with hand-clapping and shouts.

The guests of the club were the Misses Harriett and Elizabeth Gramer, Elizabeth Taylor, Elizabeth Taylor, Elizabeth Adams, Mary Gill, Margaret Cuhn, Elizabeth and Jacquiline Hobbs Connelly, Phobe Fuller, Louise Watley, and Messrs. Frank Johnston, Jamie Reid, Emmet Dunn, Johnson McGuire, Louis Barley, Jr., Clinton Smoot, Jr., St. Clair Hobbs, Gardner Boothe, and William Hobbs.

The club members present were Misses Lucy Anderson, Isobel Boswell, Elizabeth Boothe, Aileen Burke, Edmonia Baker, Sarah Cox, Rosella Burke, Olga De Beck, Sophia De Beck, Kathleen Douglas, Katherine Elliott, Mary Fauntelroy, Margaret French, Josephine Gregg, Julia Hopkins, Evelyn Howard, Collins Jones, Sarah Kemper, Charlotte Kemper, Esther Lambert, Katherine Leadbeater, Eleanor Leadbeater, Dorothy Morton, Polly Maigne, Margaret Paff, Mary Hunt Roberts, Elizabeth Schneider, Hilda Schneider, Robert Schneider, Genevieve Sheppersdon, Susan Thompson, Nancy Wattles, Carol Wattles, and Messrs. Albert Bryan, Brouse Burke, Gordon Burke, Charles Carlin, Reid Dunn, Paul Barrett, Waller Barrett, Lawrence Fawcett, Edwin Graham, Urban Lambert Mac Lindsey, Tupper Barrett, Bruce Morton, William Morton, Moncure, Morton, Edward Oliver, Carroll Pierce, Jr., Chester Pierce, Edwin Pierce, Everett Pohl, Overton Price, Allan Roberts and Tom Wattles.

Arrangements have been completed by the committee in charge for the The Dansant to be held in the Elks' Hall tomorrow afternoon from four to six or the benefit of the visiting nurse. A fine orchestra has been secured, and there will be quite a number of exhibitions danced during the afternoon by well known dancers of this city and Washington. There will also a contest for the best dancers. A large crowd is expected to patronize this affair, for, outside of the Halloween dance of the Cameron Club, this has been the only dance in several months for which the proceeds are to be given over to a local charity.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Lloyd Boothe entertained at a beautifully appointed dinner on Saturday night in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Thompson Burke, Jr. After dinner Mr. and Mrs. Boothe and their guests attended the "Soiree Dansant" given by the D. A. R.'S for the benefit of the Red Cross Society.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Evans, of Hume, Va., are the guests of Mrs. Evans' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Douglas.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wattles had as their guests this week Mrs. Forrest W. Brown and Forrest W. Brown, Jr., of Charlestown, West Va.

The Alexandria German Club will hold their New Year's German this evening at the Elks' Hall at half-past eight o'clock.

Misses Elizabeth Adams, Elizabeth Taylor, Harriett Gramer, Elizabeth Gramer, Margaret Cuhn and Mary Belle Gill, who have been the house guests of Miss Colins Jones in north Washington street for the past several days, returned to their homes today.

Mrs. Harry Leef, of Danville, Va., is spending the holidays with her sister, Miss Annie Tyler, in Wolfe street.

The Alexandria Assembly held their Christmas dance last evening in the Elks' Auditorium. The hall was appropriately decorated and a splendid orchestra rendered music from eight until twelve. Later in the evening a delicious supper was served. There were a great many present, including a number of guests.

Those dancing were:

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. Freeland, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Reid, Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Fauntleroy, Mr. and Mrs. John Leadbeater,

(Continued on next Column.)

NEW YEAR NEAR AT HAND

Funeral Dirge of 1914 Will Be Tolled Near Midnight and 1915 Welcomed.

While Christmas is more generally celebrated in the southern country, New Year's Day is by no means ignored, and there will as usual, be animation in our midst during the first half of tonight and practically all day tomorrow. Watch meetings will be held in some churches and many private parties will be held. The bell in the steeple of the City Hall will begin to toll shortly before midnight, and when the clock begins to strike twelve the bells of the city will ring out and the din will be augmented by steam whistles and other manifestations of welcome to the new year which, like its predecessors, is destined to bring its joys and sorrows.

All business in Alexandria will be suspended tomorrow and many of the manufacturing firms will not reopen until next Monday. Early communion will be celebrated in St. Paul's and Grace Episcopal Churches at 7:30 o'clock and mass will be said at St. Mary's Catholic Church at 6 and 8:30 o'clock.

Many of our people will keep open houses, and visits from house to house and social interminglings will be the order of the day.

Many Alexandrians will go to Washington especially in the afternoon, some to visit theatres and others to make social calls. The electric railway company will run an extra train out of the capital city at 115 a. m. tonight or the accommodation of such as prefer "not to go home until morning."

SHOT HIGH THROUGH ROOF.

Fireworks Maker Dropped in Tree An Arm And Leg Missing.

Rochester, Pa., Dec. 31.—While mixing gunpowder, dynamite and several other high explosives with which to manufacture fireworks in the North Rochester fireworks plant yesterday afternoon, John Paluso, aged 37, was hurled through the factory roof, 50 feet into the air, alighting in the top of a tree, when the mixture he was making ignited in some manner and exploded.

The building in which Paluso was working, a one story frame affair, was demolished. The shock of the explosion was felt for miles around this city, and windows were broken in houses within a radius of a mile.

Paluso was rescued from the top of the tree where he had lodged among the branches after passing through the roof. He was hurried to the hospital, where it was found that his left leg and arm had been blown off. He is also believed to have sustained internal injuries and his eyesight is destroyed. He is expected to die.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Leadbeater, Mr. and Mrs. O'Bannon Cooper, Dr. and Mrs. Stewart Jamieson, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Stabler, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. Nevin, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Oliver, Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman, of Georgetown, Miss Rose MacDonald, Miss Phillippa Wattles, Miss Christina Kemper, Miss Delia Phillips, Miss Harriett Douglas, Miss Katherine Waller, Miss Emily Johnson, Miss Wallace, of West Virginia, Miss Julia Davis, of Washington, Miss Frances Herbert, Miss Nannie Norton, Commander James Reid, U. S. A., retired, Mr. Emmett Dunn, Jr., Mr. James Reid, Jr., Mr. Walter Foster, Mr. Bryan Pitts, Mr. George Brent, Mr. Gardner Carter, of Charlottesville, Dr. Vivian Berry, Mr. Berryman Green, Mr. Gardner Pitts, Mr. Wallace Fawcett, Mr. Edward Fawcett, Mr. Reid White, of Lexington, Mr. Robert Pressentt, Washington Lee.

A party was given last night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harper in south Fairfax street. A large number of guests were present.

The First Baptist Sunday School celebration took place last night. Rev. Dr. W. F. Watson, the pastor, was presented with a package of money.

The Allison W. C. T. U. meeting which was to have taken place tonight, has been postponed until further notice.

CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Citizens National Bank, held December 28th the regular semi-annual dividend of 6 per cent was declared, payable on or after January 2nd, 1915.

Richard M. Green, Cashier.

ENJOYABLE OCCASION

Sunday School of The Methodist Protestant Church Holds Christmas Celebration

The Christmas celebration of the Methodist Protestant Sunday School was held last evening, and was attended by a large audience.

Santa Claus and the Star Queen, was the title of the entertainment, Mr. Andrew Sullivan, as Santa Claus, and Miss Sadie Sullivan as the Star Queen. The songs and recitation were rendered most ably.

The Rev. C. R. Strasburg, pastor was presented wth a purse, and to Mr. J. H. Trimyer, Supt. a beautiful Masonic watch charm, for eight years of perfect attendance.

The auditorium was arranged as a living room and was decorated with garlands and bells. After the entertainment diplomas were awarded as follows:

For eight years of perfect attendance, Mr. J. H. Trimyer and Norman Roberts.

For seven years to Mr. Luther Kell.

For five years to Miss Flora Glasgow.

For three years to Misses Carmen Bender, Bertha Smith, Mrs. W. T. Penn, William Anderson, Frank C. Glasgow, Lambert King, Paul Lindsey and Lawrence Linden.

For two years Miss Bessie Simpson and Luther Cook.

For one year, Misses Mary Kell, Laura Smith, Catherine Smith, Thelma Bender, Irving Lindsey, Courtland Roberts, William Sullivan, Marshall Finnell, Milton Grigg, Hammond Newton, and Milton Penn.

The Sunday School wishes to extend their thanks to Mr. Frank Michleback, Lozano Dry Goods Co. and Prof. Plitt's Orchestra.

SUICIDE IN A BANK.

H. E. McWane, President of Lynchburg Anti-Saloon League Shoots Himself.

(Special Dispatch to the Gazette)

Richmond, Va., Dec. 31.—Henry E. McWane, business man and president of the anti-saloon League, in Lynchburg, committed suicide there today by shooting himself through the head in the People's Bank Building. He was 54 years old, and a native of Wytheville.

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SPECIAL MATINEE

Stockholders Meeting of the American Rutile Company.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the American Rutile Co., will be held at the office of the company No. 111 South Fairfax St, Alexandria, Virginia, on Monday the 4th of January, 1915, from 12 o'clock noon to 1 o'clock P. M. for the election of directors and for the transaction of such other business as can be lawfully considered. The transfer books will be closed for 10 days prior to the 4th day of January.

W. M. SLATER, President
ALBERT HAPPER, Sec. and Treas.
9—10t

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Black Pony Coats, 36 and 52 inch lengths, of various styles; lined with Skinner's satin and brocaded silk. Reduced from $35.00 to $25.00.

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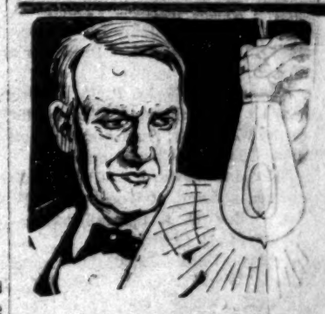

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From out of a great mind a wonderful moving picture serial has just been created. That picture will be seen on the Richmond Screen every week for fourteen weeks—you will find Miss Pearl White who plays Pauline in the 'Perils of Pauline' to be the heroine in this new great detective series. We will make a special effort to tell you the Name and Date by the first of next week. WAIT

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CLOSING OF HISTORIC YEAR.

The sands of the year 1914 have nearly run. When the clock in the City Hall steeple shall begun to toll out the hour of midnight the old year will have finished its course. Bells will be ringing, steam whistles shrieking and other manfestatons of greeting will be heard when the clock begins to strike twelve.

One year ago the great mass of the people of the world little dreamed that 1914 was to add such a volume to history. Its successor may be pregnant with more momentous events. Who can tell what will occur on this mundane sphere by this time next year?

The age and body of the times, its form and pressure, will doubtless be felt more heavily, judging from present conditions. Most of the civilized nations of the earth are at this time at war. All may be in the vortex before another year shall have been added to the Christian era.

A decade and a half of the twentieth century has passed away. The first decade of is predecessor found the world but little changed since the days of the Pilgrim Fathers. In fact the grandfathers of many now living had to go to as much trouble to travel and transact business as people living in the days of the Caesars.

The history of the world runs back we are told six thousand years, but it has been reserved for the closing years of the nineteenth and the opening years of the twentieth century to witness a remarkable transition in mundane conditions. The present generation, born in the days of steam trains, steamboats, electric cars airships, automobiles, etc., gaze upon such modes of travel with unconcern, while their grandfathers would have regarded such things as idle dreams.

All the restless activity of a Napoleon or a Bismarck have not wrought upon modern life as have the telegraph, telephone, phonograph, typewriter and other wonders of our age.

The comforts of life have been immeasurably increased by the universal adoption of things now termed common and indispensable. Friction matches, the most common and one of the cheapest and most useful devices, made their first appearance during the lifetime of many now living.

At the beginning of this article we casually referred to the terrible carnage which is shocking the world as we often, while studying existing conditions, think of Napoleon's theory—"Europe will eventually be Cossack or republican." The outcome of the present war is a matter of speculation, although some imagine they can see the result.

We live in a day of remarkable and sudden political changes. A few years ago, Russia, Turkey, Persia, and China were absolute monarchies. At present it may be said that there is but one Autocrat in the universe. Representative governments have taken the place of those ruled by men from whose decision there was no appeal.

The United States has played a preponderant part in the history of the world, and the republican principles upon which our government is based, have taken root in all climes. Gervinus, a German historian and thinker of his day, laid the responsibility for modern statecraft and ideals of government at the feet of America. The outcome of the present war is more likely to bring to the birth similar forms of government. The days of the Hapsburgs and Hohenzollerns may, like those of Belshazzar, be numbered, and republics destined to succeed the present monarchical forms of government in Europe.

HEIRESS SHOOTS HERSELF

Miss Marian Howard of St. Louis a Suicide at Atlantic City

Atlantic City, N J. Dec, 31—Miss Marian Howard, of St. Louis, who was reported to have recently fallen heir to a fortune, committed suicide in her apartments at a fashionable hotel here yesterday, according to the police. Miss Howard, who was twenty one years old, was here on a visit with her sister, Mrs. H. Flad, also of St. Louis.

ADMITS POISONING HUSBAND.

Atlantic City, Dec. 31.—According to the police, Nettie Salines, 32 years of age, who has been taken into custody, has confessed that she caused the death of her husband, Alexander Salines, by putting poison in his food on December 20 to collect insurance of $1,000 he had recently taken out.

The woman was held without bail to await the action of the grand jury.

The coroner of Atlantic county said he is investigating the circumstances of the death of the woman's former husband who died about two years ago.

ELEASE RELEASES CONVICTS

Grants Sixteen Full Pardons, Twenty-Four Paroles and Fifteen Commutations.

Columbia, S C Dec 31—Governor Blease yesterday granted clemency to fifty-five State prisoners. Twenty eight were serving terms for homicide, seventeen having been sentenced originally to life imprisonment. Sixteen full pardons, twenty-four paroles and fifteen commutations are included in the list.

The release of the forty men pardoned or paroled today reduces the number of prisoners in the State Penitentiary here, at the State farms and in the county convicts camps to 149. Governor Blease now has exercised clemency in 1,544 cases during his term of office, which will have been four years in January.

Two hundred and eight prisoners have received clemency since Thanksgiving Eve. The Governor acted upon 101 cases at that time and on eight others Christmas Eve. Clemency was exercised in forty-four cases last Monday.

One murderer was pardoned today and seven paroled. Nine others serving life terms received commutations, making their sentences either five or ten years. Of eleven men convicted of manslaughter, one was pardoned, six were paroled and four received commutations.

Governor Blease signed the clemency grants yesterday so that the prisoners released might reach their homes by New Year's Day.

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At a Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, continued and held at the Court house of said City on Tuesday, December 22nd, 1914.

Annie M. Holcer, Complainant,
vs IN CHAUNCERY.
Harry P. Holcer, Defendant

An affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant is a non resident of the State of Virginia, upon the application of the Complainant in writing, stating specifically the last known address of the defendant, the Court of this 22nd day of December, 1914, doth grant the following order of publication:

The object of this suit it to obtain for the Complainant a divorce from the bond of matrimony from the defendant on the ground of wilful desertion and abandonment for a period of more than three years before the bringing of this suit, and for the custody of the minor children of the parties, and for general relief, and it is ordered that the defendant do appear withing fifteen days after due publication of this order and do what is necessary to protect his interests in this suit, and it is further ordered that a copy of this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in the City of Alexandria, Virginia; that a copy be posted at the front door of the Courthouse in the said City on or before the next succeeding rule day after this order, and that a copy of said order of publication shall be sent by registered mail by the Clerk of this Court, addressed to the said defendant Harry P. Holcer at Jersey City, New Jersey, his last known place of address.

A copy Teste:
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk
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STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the McLachlen Banking Corporation for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 123 South Royal Street, Alexandria, Va. January 12th 1915, at 11 o'clock A. M.

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At a Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, continued and held at the Court house of said City on Thursday, December 24th, 1914 Present, Hon. Louis C. Barley, Judge.

Arthur Delaney
vs In Chancery.
Lottie Swan Delaney.

An affidavit having been duly made as required by law, that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, and that she cannot be found within the jurisdiction of this State, and the Sergeant having made a return upon the original process or summons issued herein that the defendant is a non resident of his baliwick and application having been duly made in Open Court for an order of publication against the defendant to appear and answer a bill in chancery filed by the complainant against the defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful desertion and abandonment for more than three years, prior to the institution of this suit and an order of pubicaion having been duly granted in open court, is is therefore ordered that said defendant do appear here within 15 days after due publication hereof to answer the suit of complainant against the defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful desertion and desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit and to do what may be necessary to protect her interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be pubished once a week for four sucessive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in Alexandria City, Va, and that a copy be sent by registered mail by the Clerk of this Court to the last known place of address, residence and abode of defendant, towit: Bladensburg Road, Washington, D. C. as stated in the application for his order of publication which shall be certified by the Clerk of this Court, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Court house of this court on or before the next rule day of this court.

A copy, Teste:
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A Happy and Prosperous New Year to all.
POLI'S
All this week—Twice daily: 2:15, 8:15 Matinee Prices: 25c 50c (Excepting Monday Matinee—All Seats 25c) Evening prices: 25, 50, 75c.
The New Poli Players Present for the First time in Washington.
"Big Jim Garrity"
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And as played by John Mason At the New York Theater New York. Indorsed by the pulpit press, and public. A $2.00 attraction at popular prices.
Week of January 4th—The Pas Sers By

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When you want a fact to become generally known, the right way is to publish it. Mrs. Joseph Kallans, Peru Ind., was troubled with belching sour stomach and frequent headaches. She writes, "I feel it my duty to tell others what Chamberlain's Tablets have done for me. They have helped my digestion and regulated my bowels. Since using them I have been entirely well." For sale by all deal-

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N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information and are not guaranteed.

Trains leave Union Station, Alexandria.

7:47 A. M., Daily—Local between Washington & Danville delivers connection daily except Sunday at Orange to C & O. No. 403 for Gordonsville and Richmond.

8:47 A. M. —Daily— Local for Harrisonburg and way stations. Buffet parlor car.

8:37 A. M. Daily— U. S. Fast Mail stops only for passengers to points south to which scheduled to stop First class coaches Sleeping cars to Birmingham and New Orleans. Daning car service. Stops at Calverton to let off Warrenton branch passengers.

10:32 A. M. Daily—Mail train, coaches for Manassas, Warrenton, Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Danville, and Greensboro. Sleeping car from Greensboro to Atlanta.

3:52 P. M. Daily— local for Charlottesville connesting at Calverton for Warrenton.

4:52 P. M. Daily—Birmingham Special Sleeping cars between New York, Atlanta, Columbus, Anniston, Birmingham, Through first class coaches between Washington, Atlanta and Birmingham, Dining car service Tourist to California daily.

4:12 P. M. —Limited for Harrisonburg and way Stations on Manassas branch. Pullman Buffet parlor cars.

6:12 P. M.—Local for Warrenton.

6:12 P. M.—The Southern's South eastern Limited, for Ashville, Columbia, Charleston, Aiken, Augusta Savannah and Jacksonville. Through Pullmon Drawing room sleeping cars coaches dining cars.

10:02 P. M.—Daily Washington and Chattanooga Limited (via Lynchburg) First class coaches and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville, Chattanooga. Sleeper to New Orleans, Washington to Roanoke, Dining car service.

11:02 P. M. Daily—New York and New Orleans Limited. All Pullman train. Club and Observation cars to New Orleans. Dining Car Service.

4:27 A. M. Daily— Memphis special Sleeping car and coaches for Roanoke, Knoxville, Nashville, Chattanooga, and Memphis. Dining Car service. Washington sleeping cars open 10 p. m.

For detailed schedule figures, tickets Pullman reservations, etc apply to
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C. W. WESTBURY, Gen. Agt.

NOTICE.

The forty-sixth annual meeting of the Independent Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Fairfax County, Va., will be held at the Company's office on Monday, January 11th, 1915 at ten o'clock A. M.

WALTER ROBERTS, President.

THE ALEXANDRIA NATIONAL BANK.

Alexandria, Virginia.
December 12. 1914.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders will be held at the Banking House on Tuesday, January 12, 1915, at eleven o'clock A. M., for the election of directors, and such other business as may regularly come before the meeting.

J. L. PERRY, CASHIER

CLASSIFIED ADS

For Rent, Help Wanted, Lost, For Sale, Business Opportunities, etc., one time, 25c; 2 times, 40c; 3 times, 50c; one week, $1.00.

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Lost— A white poodle dog Tuesday night from 816 Princess street, answering to the name of Pinky. Reward of $5.00 if returned to above address. 30. 3t

LOST—On Saturday a ladies gold pin with K. of C. emblem. Reward if returned to 1804 Duke street.

WOMEN'S EXCHANGE

Open Monday, December 7th For information regarding membership etc. Apply 123 North Fairfax Street.

Washington Southern Ry.

Schedule in effect April 12, 1914.

For Washington and points north, daily at 8:08 A. M., 8.43, 8:53, 11:13, 12:01, 1:18, 2.30 through train for New York, via P. R. R.) 6:19. 8:18, 11:33 p. m., week days, at 6:07 p. m., Sundays only 8:07 p. m.

For Fredericksburg, Richmond, and points south at 4:37, 7:53, (local) and 10:17 a. m., 12:16, 3:22 5:17 (local) 7:47, 9:47, p. m. daily.

Accommodation for Fredericksburg at 11:13 a m., daily except Saturday, when train leaves 2:18 p.m. This train runs through to Milford except Saturdays and Sundays.

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First National Bank of Alexandria, Va., December 23, 1914.

At a regular meeting of the Board of Directors, held this day, the regular semi-annual dividend of six per cent, and a special dividend of three per cent, were declared, payable on or after January 1st, 1915.

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NEWS OF THE DAY

Seventeen bombs were dropped on Dunkirk yesterday by German air raiders. Fifteen persons were killed and more than thirty wounded. A number of women and children were among the victims.

Southern Pacific train No. 9, through passenger train from New Orleans, bound for Los Angles and San Francisco, was held up a few miles east of Spofford, Texas, yesterday by two masked men. The express, and mail cars were left unmolested but every passenger was robbed. The train was full of passengers bound mostly to California for the holidays, and carried standard Pullmans, tourists and chair cars.

It is rumored in Rome that the Kaiser has had a relapse and that his condition is serious.

Gen. Konrad von Hotzendorf, chief of the Austrian general staff, and Archduke Frederick have declared that no further operations will be undertaken against Servia, so as not to distract forces from the north despite demands of the clerical Austrian press for revenge.

Two masked men boarded the westbound Sunset Express on the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway near Cline, Texas, early yesterday and at the point of pistols robbed all of the passengers in the two rear sleepers. As they neared Spofford, Tex., the robbers gave an air cord signal for the train to stop, after which they dropped off and escaped.

Representative Jones of Virginia chairman of the House Insular Affairs Committee and author of the Philippine independence bill, charged that enemies of the measure are trying to prevent its passage by wiring untrue and misleading reports to the United States of internal troubles in the Philippines, in a speech last night at a dinner of the Filipino Club at the New Willard in Washington.

Information has reached foreign legation in London to the effect that transportation of Japanese troops by sea to the Russian port of Vladivostock has been going on for some time and that soldiers of the Mikado are already on their way to Europe over the Trans-Siberian Railroad. Thirty steamers are said to have carried the troops from Japan.

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA.

In the matter of
New Washington Brick Company, a corporation, In Bankruptcy
Alleged Bankrupt.

To all creditors of the New Washington Brick Company.

Please take notice: That the White Oak Coal Company, a corporation, William C. Robinson and Son Company, a corporation, and William L. King, whose petition was theretofore filed in the above entitled cause, having filed a second petition in this matter, asking that the petition heretofore filed by them be dismissed and said proceedings in bankruptcy likewise dismissed, all creditors of the alleged bankrupt are directed to appear before the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, at its Court room in the City of Alexnadria, Virginia, on Wednesday, the 6th day of January 1915, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause why the prayer of said second petition shoud not be granted and this proceeding dismissed.

26— 10t.

WOULD BAR BELGIANS

Federation of Labor Says There Are Too Many Idle People in Virginia.

Richmond, Dec., 31—Organized labor is opposed to bringing to this State people from Belgium. Organized labor is, however filed with sympathy for these unfortunate people but there is not any demand for the labor in the State at his time, say the members of the executive board of the State Federation of Labor.

That body believes that its first duty is to the State of Virginia and her people.

The matter was discussed at a meeting of the executive board held here yesterday at which time the following resolutions offered by Howard T. Colvin, was adopted:

Whereas, a movement has been on foot for some months in Virginia, as well as throughout the nation, to provide funds, provisions, etc for the relief of the suffering Belgians;! and,

Whereas, this movement is now beginning to take the form of an immigration movement with the object of inducing the Belgian refugees to immigrate to and settle in Virginia and,

Whereas, there are at the present time many thousand of Virginians, men and women, unemployed and suffering for the actual necessaries of life; therefore,

Resolved, That while we deeply sympathize with our fellow workers in Belgium, as well as those throughout the war-striken zone of Europe yet we feel that our first duty is to Virginia, and we, therefore earnestly protest against any movement having for its object the bringing of foreign immigrants to our State as long as there are within our borders men and women who want to work but are unable to obtain it, and that we use all the influence at our command in opposition to any such movement.

Information is given by a high authority in Rome that at today's meeting a decision will be reached wit hregard to the incident at Hodieda, Turkey, where the British consul was taken by force from the Italian consulate. It was declared that the government's patience is exhausted and that Turkey has been peremptorily notified that the British consul must be released immediately and the genedarmes who broke into the Italian consulate must be punished. Turkey has been warned that no excuse for further delay will be accepted, and a satisfactory reply is demanded within two days.

Five German airmen made a raid over the Polish city of Sochacew, dropping forty bombs which did much damage to property and killed many persons. Part of the city was destroyed when the bombs set fire to wooden houses.

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The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Iowa Apartment House Company for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 123 south Royal street, Alexandria, Va., January 12th, 1915, at 10 o'clock A. M.

CHARLES D. WALCOTT, President.
A. M. McLACHLEN, Secretary.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ontario Apartment House Company for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 126 South Royal street, Alexandria, Va., January 12th 1915, at 10:30 A. M.

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P. M.—12 20, 12 40, 1 00, 1 20, 1 40, 2 00, 2 20, 2 40, 3 00, 3 20, 3 40, 4 00, 4 20, 4 40 5 00, 5 20, 5 40, 6 00, 6 20, 6 40, 7 00, 7 20, 7 35, 8 00, 8 30, 9 00, 9 30, 10 00, 10 30, 11 10, 11 55.

Sundays and Holidays

A. M.—7 00, 7 20, 7 40, 8 00, 8 20 8 40, 9 00, 9 20, 9 40, 10 00, 10 20, 10 40, 11 00. 11 20, 11 40, 12 00 noon.

P. M.—12 20, 12 40, 1 00, 1 20, 1 40, 2 00, 2 20, 2 40, 3 00, 3 20, 3 40, 4 00, 4 20, 4 40, 5 00, 5 20, 5 40, 6 00, 6 20, 6 40, 7 00, 7 20, 7 35, 8 00, 8 30. 9 00, 9 30, 10 00, 10 30, 11 10.

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RICHARD M. GREEN, cashier.

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